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Care for the Veteran

- Remove any means that could be used for self-injury
- Stay calm and safe
- Actively listen to show understanding and produce relief

Escort the Veteran

- Never leave the Veteran alone
- Escort to emergency room or medical clinic
- Call VA Suicide Prevention Hotline

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